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TAGS: EWWT, SNAR, CO
SUBJ: MOTOR VESSEL FRENCH CAP

REF: A) STATE 126062 (NOTAL), B) BOGOTA 3638 (NOTAL)

1. COL. MARITIME COMMISSION ADVISES M/V FRENCH CAP OR SHADOW
FOX ARE NOT OF COLOMBIAN REGISTRY. MARITIME COMMISSION ALSO
ADVISED THAT THEY DO NOT REGISTER VESSELS WITH ENGLISH NAMES.

2. WE ARE UNCLEAR AS TO WHY US COAST GUARD DEPARTED IN THIS
CASE FROM WHAT WE THOUGHT WAS STANDARD PROCEDURE. FRENCH CAP
WAS FLYING NO FLAG, HAD NO PAPERS ON BOARD, AND WAS LOADED WITH
MARIJUANA. ON BASIS OF OUR LIMITED EXPERIENCE HERE, WE THOUGHT
THAT WOULD BE SUFFICIENT GROUNDS TO CONSIDER VESSEL STATELESS
AND TO TAKE IT INTO US PORT FOR PROPER LEGAL ACTION. OTHER
MARIJUANA SHIPS HAVE FREQUENTLY CLAIMED COLOMBIAN REGISTRY
AND/OR HAVE BEEN MANNED BY COLOMBIAN CREWS. BUT IN RECENT
EXPERIENCE, ONLY ONE SUCH SHIP, THE JACQUELINE, WAS LEGALLY
REGISTERED IN COLOMBIA.

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3. PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF COMPLICATIONS THAT AROSE IN CASE
OF THE JACQUELINE (REF B), MISSION SUGGESTS QUESTION OF COLOMBIAN
REGISTRY NOT BE RAISED UNNECESSARILY, AS APPEARS TO BE CASE
WITH THE FRENCH CAP. WE WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING WHY US COAST
GUARD FELT IT HAD TO VERIFY UNSUPPORTED CLAIM OF COLOMBIAN
REGISTRY BEFORE TAKING DEFINITIVE ACTION.
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